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SUBJECT: SIR CHARLES COURT VISIT

1. WESTERN AUSTRALIA PREMIER SIR CHARLES COURT, ACCOM-PANIED BY OTHER MEMBERS OF WA GOVERNMENT, MADE CALLS IN DEPARTMENT ON JANUARY 17, COURT MET WITH EA ASSISTANT SECRETARY HABIB AND WITH OFFICE DIRECTORS IN EB (EB DEP ASST SEC KATZ UNABLE TO MEET).

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2. COURT DISCUSSED ENTHUSIASTICALLY POSSIBILITIES FOR

DEVELOPMENT OF MINERAL AND ENERGY RESOURCES IN WA, AND CITED CRUCIAL ROLE PLAYED BY FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN WA IN PROVIDING CAPITAL, MARKETS, AND TECHNOLOGY. HE SAID BANKERS AND INDUSTRIALISTS HE HAS MET IN US ARE RECEPTIVE TO THIS MESSAGE, BUT RETAIN DOUBTS ABOUT HURDLES RAISED BY AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, WHICH CAUSES COURT TO WORRY ABOUT INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT OF INVESTMENT PLANS. COURT APPEARED DETERMINED TO GET INVESTMENT MOVING AGAIN, AND TO PUT PRESSURE ON CANBERRA TO INSURE RECEPTIVE ATMOSPHERE.

3. ON POLITICAL SUBJECTS, COURT TOLD HABIB FEDERAL ELECTIONS COULD BE FORCED THIS YEAR AND RESULT IN NEW GOVERNMENT, BUT HE WAS MAKING NO ASSUMPTIONS. ON US

PRESENCE AT NORTHWEST CAPE, COURT SAID THAT IN WA, "WE LOVE IT." NOTING INDIAN OCEAN ORIENTATION OF WA, COURT SAID "THE MORE AMERICANS WE SEE, THE MORE WE LIKE IT", WHICH APPLIES TO DIEGO GARCIA.

- 4. COURT IS CALLING ON DEPUTY TREASURY SECRETARY GARDNER AND COMMERCE ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY (DIBA) JOHNSON. MEMBERS OF HIS PARTY WILL CALL ON AEC, FEA, NSF, AND OFFICE OF COAL RESEARCH AT INTERIRO TO DISCUSS ENERGY MATTERS AND RESEARCH PROPOSALS. COURT AND PARTY SEEM PLEASED WITH WASHINGTON SCHEDULE.
- 5. MEMCONS WILL FOLLOW. KISSINGER

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